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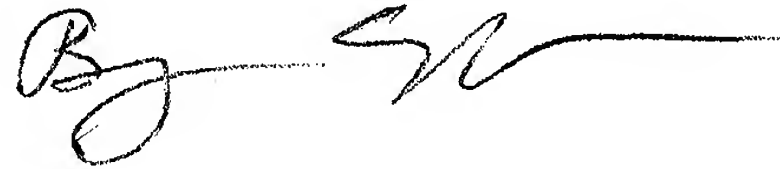
REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to positively recite a radial support function for the single support member, as suggested in the note attached to the Advisory Action of January 23, 2003. This feature is clearly not disclosed in any of the references of record.

Having thus overcome each of the rejections made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A
(Clean Copy Of Amended Claims)

1. (Twice Amended) A rotation shaft support structure of a motor, comprising:

a shaft tube, having an inner wall provided with at least one bearing in which a rotation shaft may be rotated;

a seal member, made of metallic material and securely combined with one end of the shaft tube; and

a single support member, made of a wear resistant non-metallic material, mounted in the one end of the shaft tube, and supported by the seal member, the support member having an annular wall and a resting portion which has an integral periphery from which the annular wall extends,

wherein an end of the shaft tube is inserted through the annular wall, and

wherein the shaft tube is adapted to face a radial surface of the rotation shaft for radially supporting the rotation shaft while one end of the rotation shaft rests on the resting portion.

APPENDIX B
(Marked-Up Copy Of Amended Claims)

1. (Twice Amended) A rotation shaft support structure of a motor, comprising:

a shaft tube, having an inner wall provided with at least one bearing in which a rotation shaft may be rotated;

a seal member, made of metallic material and securely combined with one end of the shaft tube; and

a single support member, made of a wear resistant non-metallic material, mounted in the one end of the shaft tube, and supported by the seal member, the support member having an annular wall and a resting portion which has an integral periphery [provided with an] from which the annular wall extends,

wherein an end of the shaft tube is inserted through the annular wall, and

wherein the shaft tube is adapted to face a radial surface of the rotation shaft for radially supporting the rotation shaft while one end of the rotation shaft rests on the resting portion.